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Attorney Docket No. 000515-238

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In re Patent Application of  
Arie Besemer et al.  
Application No.: 10/071,082  
Filing Date: February 11, 2002  
Title: ABSORBENT ARTICLE

Group Art Unit: 3761  
Examiner: CATHARINE L ANDERSON  
Confirmation No.: 1948

## AMENDMENT/REPLY TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Enclosed is a reply for the above-identified patent application.

☒ A Petition for Extension of Time is also enclosed.☐ Terminal Disclaimer(s) and the ☐ \$65.00 (2814) ☐ \$130.00 (1814) fee per  
Disclaimer due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.20(d) are also enclosed.☒ Also enclosed is/are Notice of Appeal☐ Small entity status is hereby claimed.☐ Applicant(s) requests continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and enclose the  
☐ \$395.00 (2801) ☐ \$790.00 (1801) fee due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e).☐ Applicant(s) requests that any previously unentered after final amendments not be entered.  
Continued examination is requested based on the enclosed documents identified above.☐ Applicant(s) previously submitted \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_  
for which continued examination is requested.☐ Applicant(s) requests suspension of action by the Office until at least \_\_\_\_\_  
which does not exceed three months from the filing of this RCE, in accordance with 37 C.F.R.  
§ 1.103(c). The required fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) is enclosed.☐ A Request for Entry and Consideration of Submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.129(a) (1809/2809) is also  
enclosed.

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- ☒ No additional claim fee is required.
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AMENDED CLAIMS					
	No. of Claims	Highest No. of Claims Previously Paid For	Extra Claims	Rate	Additional Fee
Total Claims		MINUS =	0	x \$50.00 (1202) =	\$ 0.00
Independent Claims		MINUS =	0	x \$200.00 (1201) =	\$ 0.00
If Amendment adds multiple dependent claims, add \$360.00 (1203)					
Total Claim Amendment Fee					\$ 0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Small Entity Status claimed - subtract 50% of Total Claim Amendment Fee					\$ 0.00
TOTAL ADDITIONAL CLAIM FEE DUE FOR THIS AMENDMENT					\$ 0.00

- ☐ A check in the amount of \_\_\_\_\_ is enclosed for the fee due.
- ☐ Charge \_\_\_\_\_ to Deposit Account No. 02-4800.
- ☐ Charge \_\_\_\_\_ to credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17, 1.20(d) and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

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### **SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION AND**

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Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action dated January 3, 2005, having a three-month shortened statutory response period and for which a total of (2) additional months have been petitioned, please amend the above identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the claim summary which begins on page two of this paper.

**Remarks begin on page four of this paper.**